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**SUMMARY RECORD**  
PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVES COMMITTEE  
18, 20 and 23 February 2026

**I. Adoption of the agenda**

6120/26 + COR 1 OJ CRP1 8  
6372/2/26 REV 2 + REV 2 ADD 1 OJ CRP2 8

The Committee adopted the agenda.

**II. Approval of the "I" items**

The Committee approved the "I" items as set out in the Annex with the exception of item 61.

**III. Discussion items II**

**COREPER (PART 1)**

**WEDNESDAY, 18 FEBRUARY 2026**

**Agriculture and Fisheries**

2. Meeting of the Council (Agriculture and Fisheries) on 23 February 2026: preparation

The Committee finalised the preparation of the Council, took note of the AOBs requested by Poland on “Concerns regarding the proposal to include the sowing of treated seeds within the definition of the use of plant protection products”, by Estonia on “A call for measures ensuring the availability of conventional crop protection solutions and securing viability of food production” and by Ireland on “Defence of EU fisheries essential in pivotal consultations on Mackerel” and decided to take the latter in public session.

## Competitiveness

3. Meeting of the Council (Competitiveness (Internal Market, Industry, Research and Space)) on 26 and 27 February 2026: preparation

The Committee took note of the AOBs requested by Denmark on “Biotech Act II, and by Finland together with the Czech Republic, Estonia, Ireland and Latvia on “competition policy as a cornerstone of the single Market” and decided to hold them in public session. It also took note of the public AOB requested by Spain together with Austria, Hungary, Portugal and Slovenia on “How to ensure an effective R&I priority-setting mechanism and decision process” and of the AOB requested by Poland on “the outcome of the Ministerial Alliance meeting for Energy-Intensive industries”.

1. Conclusions on the 2030 Consumer Agenda 6073/26 + COR 1  
*Approval*

The Committee prepared this item for the Council.

2. The 2026 Annual Single Market and Competitiveness Report 6185/26  
*Exchange of views*

The Committee prepared this item for the Council.

3. Horizon Europe Package: Framework Programme for Research and Innovation 2028-2034

- a) Framework Programme and its rules for participation and dissemination **IC** 6133/26
- b) Specific Programme implementing Horizon Europe **SC** 6133/26  
*Policy debate*

The Committee prepared this item for the Council.

4. Research Fund for Coal and Steel

- a) Council Decision laying down the measures necessary for the implementation of Protocol No 37 on the financial consequences of the expiry of the ECSC Treaty and on the Research Fund for Coal and Steel **SC** 6123/26  
*General approach*

The Committee prepared this item for the Council.

- b) Council Decision on the adoption of the Research Programme of the Research Fund for Coal and Steel, on the multiannual technical guidelines for this programme, on the multiannual financial guidelines for managing the assets of the RFCS  
*General approach*

**C** 6122/2/26 REV 2

The Committee prepared this item for the Council.

### **Employment, Social Policy, Health and Consumer Affairs**

4. Meeting of the Council (Employment, Social Policy, Health and Consumer Affairs) on 9 March 2026: agenda

The Committee took note of the main items to be included in the provisional agenda of the Council meeting as presented by the Presidency, took note of the AOB requested by the Commission on “Recent EU Equality Strategies” and agreed to hold it in public session. It also agreed to invite a Professor of Economics and European Studies at the London School of Economics for the exchange of views under the European Semester, and decided to take items currently on the agenda in public session with the exception of the adoption of the agenda, the approval of non-legislative A items and the informal lunch debate.

### **Environment**

5. Decision amending Decision (EU) 2015/1814 as regards the market stability reserve for the buildings, road transport and additional sectors **1****C** 6192/26  
*Mandate for negotiations with the European Parliament*

The Committee agreed on a mandate for negotiations with the European Parliament. A joint statement by Sweden, Denmark, Finland, the Netherlands and Luxembourg as well as a statement by Estonia is set out in the ADD 1 to this document.

6. Regulation amending Regulation (EU) 2019/1242 setting CO2 emission performance standards for heavy-duty vehicles **1****C** 6165/26  
*Mandate for negotiations with the European Parliament*

The Committee agreed on a mandate for negotiations with the European Parliament.

## COREPER (PART 2)

WEDNESDAY, 18 FEBRUARY 2026

### General Affairs

15. Meeting of the Council (General Affairs) on 24 February 2026:  
Preparation

- a) Preparation of the European Council meeting on 19-20 March 2026: annotated draft agenda  
*Exchange of views* 5152/26

The Committee prepared this item for the Council meeting.

- b) Other items in connection with the Council meeting

The Committee took note of the information provided by the Presidency and of the ‘any other business’ item request by France on the creation of a 28th regime in company law.

16. Meeting of the Council (General Affairs/Cohesion) on 26 February 2026: Preparation

- a) Conclusions on the EU agenda for cities  
*Approval* 6300/26

The Committee prepared this item for the Council meeting.

- b) Mid-term review of cohesion policy 2021-2027: lessons learned for the future  
*Exchange of views* 6299/26

The Committee prepared this item for the Council meeting.

- c) Other items in connection with the Council meeting

The Committee took note of the information provided by the Presidency and of the ‘any other business’ item request by Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania on EU’s eastern border regions.

17. Seat selection procedure for the EU Customs Agency (EUCA)<sup>1</sup>

- a) Common Understanding with the European Parliament 6304/26  
5845/26

- b) Internal Council process 6301/26  
*Exchange of views*

The Committee held an exchange of views.

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<sup>1</sup> In closed session.

## Foreign Affairs

### 18. Meeting of the Council (Foreign Affairs) on 23 February 2026: Preparation

#### a) Current affairs

The Committee took note of the information provided by the EEAS. No current affairs foreseen at this stage.

#### b) Russia's war of aggression against Ukraine *Exchange of views*

The Committee prepared this item for the Council meeting.

#### c) Situation in the Middle East *Exchange of views*

The Committee prepared this item for the Council meeting.

#### d) Other items in connection with the Council meeting

The Committee took note of the information provided by the EEAS and of the 'any other business' items request by the Commission on the mission to the Great Lakes region, by Spain on the situation in Venezuela, by Greece on the European integration of the Western Balkans, and by Austria on the conference "Women as agents of security and peace".

### 19. Russian aggression against Ukraine



#### a) Council Decision and Regulation concerning restrictive measures in view of Russia's actions destabilising the situation in Ukraine

5340/26  
6238/1/26 REV 1 +  
ADD 1 REV 1  
6239/1/26 REV 1 +  
ADD 1 REV 1

#### b) Council Decision, Regulation and Implementing Regulation concerning restrictive measures in respect of actions undermining or threatening the territorial integrity, sovereignty and independence of Ukraine

5329/26  
6214/1/26 REV 1  
6215/1/26 REV 1  
6216/1/26 REV 1

#### c) Council Decision and Regulation concerning restrictive measures in view of the situation in Belarus and the involvement of Belarus in the Russian aggression against Ukraine

5348/26  
6240/1/26 REV 1  
6242/1/26 REV 1 +  
ADD 1

- d) Council Implementing Decision and Implementing Regulation concerning restrictive measures in respect of Belarus and the involvement of Belarus in the Russian aggression against Ukraine

5955/26  
6217/26  
6218/26

*Preparation for the adoption*

The Committee held an exchange of views and agreed to revert to this item at its Friday's meeting.

### **Economic and Financial Affairs**

21. Meeting of the Council (Economic and Financial Affairs) on 10 March 2026: Agenda

The Committee took note of the main items to be included in the provisional agenda of the Council meeting as presented by the Presidency.

### **Justice and Home Affairs**

22. Meeting of the Council (Justice and Home Affairs) on 5-6 March 2026: Preparation

- a) Regulation on protection of adults  
*General approach*

 6236/26 + ADD 1-3

The Committee prepared this item for the Council meeting.

A statement by the Czech Republic is set out in document 6236/26 ADD 1.

A joint statement by Malta and Portugal is set out in document 6236/26 ADD 2.

A statement by Spain is set out in document 6236/26 ADD 3.

- b) Other items in connection with the Council meeting

None.

## **FRIDAY, 20 FEBRUARY 2026**

### **Foreign Affairs**

18. Meeting of the Council (Foreign Affairs) on 23 February 2026: Preparation

- d) Other items in connection with the Council meeting

The Committee approved the participation of the administrator of the United Nations Development Programme for the item on the Middle East.

23. Russian aggression against Ukraine



- a) Council Decision and Regulation concerning restrictive measures in view of Russia's actions destabilising the situation in Ukraine  
5340/1/26 REV 1  
6238/2/26 REV 2 +  
ADD 1 REV 2  
6239/2/26 REV 2 +  
ADD 1 REV 2
- b) Council Decision, Regulation and Implementing Regulation concerning restrictive measures in respect of actions undermining or threatening the territorial integrity, sovereignty and independence of Ukraine  
5329/1/26 REV 1  
6214/1/26 REV 1  
6215/1/26 REV 1  
6216/2/26 REV 2
- c) Council Decision and Regulation concerning restrictive measures in view of the situation in Belarus and the involvement of Belarus in the Russian aggression against Ukraine  
5348/1/26 REV 1  
6240/1/26 REV 1  
6242/1/26 REV 1 +  
ADD 1 REV 1
- d) Council Implementing Decision and Implementing Regulation concerning restrictive measures in respect of Belarus and the involvement of Belarus in the Russian aggression against Ukraine  
5955/1/26 REV 1  
6217/1/26 REV 1  
6218/26
- Preparation for the adoption*

The Committee held an exchange of views and agreed to revert to the item at its next meeting.

20. Meeting of the Council (Foreign Affairs/Defence) on 11 February 2026: follow-up

The Committee took note of the main outcomes of the Council meeting.

**Economic and Financial Affairs**

24. Meeting of the Council (Economic and Financial Affairs) on 17 February 2026: follow-up

This item was withdrawn.

**MONDAY, 23 FEBRUARY 2026**

**Foreign Affairs**

66. EU-US trade relations\*  
*Exchange of views*



The Committee held an exchange of views.

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\* Electronic devices were kept outside.

#### **IV. Any other business**

##### **COREPER (PART 1)**

None.

##### **COREPER (PART 2)**

##### **WEDNESDAY, 18 FEBRUARY 2026**

Board of Peace meeting (Washington D.C., 19 February 2026)

The Committee took note of the information provided by France and the Commission.

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Non-discussion items "I"

WEDNESDAY, 18 FEBRUARY 2026

COREPER (PART 1)

Institutional Affairs

7. **Minutes of Council meetings**  PV CONS  
*Approval*
- TTE (Transport & Telecommunications) 4+5.12.2025 16668/25 + ADD 1
- Appointments**
8. One member (LU) of the Management Board of the European Foundation of Living and Working Conditions 6202/26  
*Adoption* 6201/26  
SOC
9. One alternate member (LU) of the Management Board of the European Foundation of Living and Working Conditions 6204/26 + COR 1  
*Adoption* 6203/26  
SOC
10. Extension of the term of office of the chairperson of a Board of Appeal of the European Union Intellectual Property Office (EUIPO) 5977/26  
*Adoption* 5978/26  
PI
- Other**
11. Attendance of a third party at the Working Party on Social Questions on 13 March 2026 5943/26  
*Approval* SOC

Judicial Affairs

12. Case C-731/25, request for a preliminary ruling, validity of Regulation (EU) 2022/1854 (energy prices) 6246/26  
*Information note* JUR

Telecommunications

13. Joint declaration to be endorsed on behalf of the EU at the India AI Impact Summit (New Delhi, 15 - 20 February 2026)  5884/26  
*Approval of a non-binding instrument* TELECOM  
*Decision to use the written procedure*

## Transport

14. Decision empowering Austria to amend its existing bilateral road transport agreement with Switzerland authorising cabotage operations in road passenger transport services by coach and bus  
*General approach*



5974/26 + COR 1  
TRANS

## COREPER (PART 2)

WEDNESDAY, 18 FEBRUARY 2026

### Judicial Affairs

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| 25. | T-862/25, action for annulment (restrictive measures, Russia)<br><i>Information note</i>                               | 5998/26<br>JUR |
| 26. | T-21/26, action for annulment (restrictive measures, Russia)<br><i>Information note</i>                                | 6016/26<br>JUR |
| 27. | T-803/25, action for annulment (restrictive measures, Ukraine)<br><i>Information note</i>                              | 6138/26<br>JUR |
| 28. | C-770/25 P, appeal against the judgment in case T-573/23<br>(restrictive measures, Ukraine)<br><i>Information note</i> | 6147/26<br>JUR |
| 29. | C-14/26 P, appeal against the judgment in case T-345/24<br>(restrictive measures, Moldova)<br><i>Information note</i>  | 6226/26<br>JUR |
| 30. | C-825/25 P, appeal against the judgment in case T-343/24<br>(restrictive measures, Moldova)<br><i>Information note</i> | 6227/26<br>JUR |

### Institutional Affairs

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| 31. | <b>Minutes of Council meetings</b><br><i>Approval</i> |  PV CONS |
|     | a) ECOFIN 12.12.2025                                  | 16817/25 + ADD 1  |
|     | b) GAC 16.12.2025                                     | 16950/25 + ADD 1  |

### **Appointments**

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| 32. | Two members and four alternate members of the Committee of<br>the Regions (EE)<br><i>Adoption</i> | 6027/26<br>6025/26<br>CDR |
| 33. | An alternate member of the Committee of the Regions (RO)<br><i>Adoption</i>                       | 6067/26<br>6061/26<br>CDR |

## Other

34. Attendance of a third party at the European Competitiveness Fund subgroup of the ad hoc Working Party on the Multiannual Financial Framework (AHWP MFF) on 24 February 2026  
*Approval* 6021/26  
COMPET
35. Attendance of a third party at the Police subgroup of the Law Enforcement Working Party (LEWP) on 25 February 2026  
*Approval* 6106/26  
ENFOPOL
36. Attendance of third parties at the Working Party on JHA Information Exchange (IXIM) on 18 February 2026  
*Approval* 6193/26  
IXIM
37. Attendance of a third party at the ad hoc Working Party on Military Mobility (AHWP MM) on 13 March 2026  
*Approval* 6166/26  
MILMOB
38. Attendance of a third party at the Working Party on Eastern Europe and Central Asia (COEST) on 26 February 2026  
*Approval* 6275/26  
COEST
39. Attendance of third parties at the Simplification subgroup of the Antici Group on 27 February 2026  
*Approval* 6311/26  
SIMPL

## Transparency

40. Public access to documents  
Confirmatory application No 01/c/01/26  
*Approval* 5022/26  
API

## Economic and Financial Affairs

41. ECA SR No 03/2026 on the specific measures to support agriculture in the EU outermost regions  
*Designation of a Working Party*  
*Attendance of the European Court of Auditors at the working party meeting*  5900/26  
FIN

42. ECA SR No 05/2026 on sustainable commuting around urban areas  
*Designation of a Working Party*  
*Attendance of the European Court of Auditors at the working party meeting*  6129/26  
FIN

43. New Belgian commemorative coin  
*Information note* 5931/26  
UEM

44. Council Implementing Decision on the appointment of the fifth member of the Executive Board of the Anti-Money Laundering Authority (AMLA)  
*Adoption* 5994/26  
5850/26  
EF

### **General Affairs**

45. EP Resolutions and Decisions (February 2026)  
*Information note* 6168/26  
PE-RE

46. EP debates (February 2026)  
*Information note* 6169/26  
AG  
PE

### **Justice and Home Affairs**

47. Regulation amending Regulation (EU) 2024/1348 as regards the application of the ‘safe third country’ concept  
*Adoption of the legislative act*  6177/1/26 REV 1 +  
REV 1 ADD 1  
PE-CONS 68/25  
JAI

Statements by France and by Spain are set out in document 6177/1/26 REV 1 ADD 1.

48. Regulation establishing a list of safe countries of origin at Union level  
*Adoption of the legislative act*  6176/1/26 REV 1 +  
ADD 1  
PE-CONS 67/25  
JAI

A statement by Hungary is set out in document 6176/26 ADD 1.

49. Agreement with Switzerland on the transfer of Passenger Name Record (PNR) data for the prevention, detection, investigation and prosecution of terrorist offences and serious crime  6271/26  
IXIM

a) Council Decision on the signing on behalf of the European Union  
*Adoption* 5316/26  
5311/26

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| <p>b) Council Decision on the conclusion on behalf of the European Union<br/><i>Agreement in principle</i><br/><i>Request for the consent of the European Parliament</i></p>  | <p>5316/26<br/>5312/26</p>   |
| <p>50. Directive amending Directive 2012/29/EU on the rights of victims<br/><i>Confirmation of the final compromise text with a view to agreement</i></p>   | <p> 6125/26<br/>JAI</p>   |
| <b><u>Foreign Affairs</u></b>   |  |
| <p>51. CFSP Exercise Programme 2026-2030<br/><i>Approval</i></p>  | <p>6209/26<br/>COPS</p>  |
| <p>52. EU Common Military List<br/><i>Adoption</i></p>  | <p>5827/26 + COR 1<br/>COARM</p>   |
| <p>53. International Coffee Agreement 2022</p>  | <p> 5872/26<br/>PROBA</p>                                       |
| <p>a) Council Decision on the signing on behalf of the European Union<br/><i>Adoption</i></p>   | <p>14818/25<br/>14572/25</p>   |
| <p>b) Council Decision on the conclusion on behalf of the European Union<br/><i>Agreement in principle</i><br/><i>Request for the consent of the European Parliament</i></p>  | <p>14818/25<br/>14575/25</p>   |
| <p>54. CELAC-EU Roadmap 2026-2027<br/><i>Authorisation to negotiate a non-binding instrument</i></p>  | <p>6290/26<br/>COLAC</p>   |
| <p>55. Union for the Mediterranean ministerial declaration on water<br/><i>Authorisation to negotiate a non-binding instrument</i></p>  | <p>6305/26<br/>MAMA</p>  |
| <p>56. Council Decision and Implementing Regulation on Common Position 2001/931/CFSP on the application of specific measures to combat terrorism<br/><i>Adoption</i><br/><i>Decision to use the written procedure</i></p> | <p> 6094/26<br/>6095/26<br/>6091/26<br/>6093/26<br/>CORLX</p> |
| <p>57. Agreements between the European Union and Switzerland to consolidate, deepen and expand their bilateral relation</p>   | <p> 6280/26<br/>AELE</p>                                      |
| <p>a) Council Decision on the signing on behalf of the European Union<br/><i>Adoption</i></p>   | <p>10565/25</p>  |

b) Council Decision on the conclusion on behalf of the European Union  
*Agreement in principle*  
*Request for the consent of the European Parliament* 10643/25

58. Council Decision and Implementing Regulation concerning restrictive measures in view of the situation in Russia  
*Adoption* 6055/26  
6052/26  
6054/26  
CORLX

59. Restrictive measures in view of the situation in Belarus and the involvement of Belarus in the Russian aggression against Ukraine - reply letter  
*Approval* 6324/26  
CORLX

### **Other items**

60. Interim use of cryptographic products  
*Approval* 6066/26 R-UE  
6065/26 R-UE  
CSCI

### **FRIDAY, 20 FEBRUARY 2026**

#### **Economic and Financial Affairs**

61. Council Regulation amending Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2020/2093 of 17 December 2020 laying down the multiannual financial framework for the years 2021 to 2027  
*Adoption of the legislative act*  
*Decision to derogate from the eight-week period provided for in Article 4 of Protocol 1 on the role of national parliaments in the EU* **SC** 6219/26 + ADD 1  
5470/26  
ECOFIN

This item was postponed.

62. Regulation implementing enhanced cooperation on the establishment of the Ukraine Support Loan for 2026 and 2027  
*Adoption of the legislative act*  
*Decision to derogate from the eight-week period provided for in Article 4 of Protocol 1 on the role of national parliaments in the EU* **IC** 6287/1/26 REV 1 +  
REV 1 ADD 1  
PE-CONS 6/26  
ECOFIN

A statement by Belgium is set out in document 6287/1/26 REV 1 ADD 1.

63. Regulation amending the Ukraine Facility  
*Adoption of the legislative act*  
*Decision to derogate from the eight-week period provided for in Article 4 of Protocol 1 on the role of national parliaments in the EU* **IC** 6289/1/26  
PE-CONS 7/26  
ECOFIN

## General Affairs

64. Directive simplifying corporate sustainability reporting and due diligence requirements (Omnibus I)   6224/1/26 REV 1 + REV 1 ADD 1  
*Adoption of the legislative act* PE-CONS 66/25  
SIMPL

Statements by France and by Germany (supported by the Netherlands) are set out in document 6224/1/26 REV 1 ADD 1.

## Foreign Affairs

65. Council Implementing Decision amending Implementing Decision (EU) 2024/1447 as regards the additional financial contribution from Sweden  6231/26  
*Adoption* 6038/26 + ADD 1  
RESUA



First reading



Special legislative procedure



Procedural decision by Coreper (Article 19(3)&(7) of the Council's Rules of Procedure)



Restricted item



Item based on a Commission proposal

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